

Portsmouth, May 10th
1888

Dear Sir Wm Dawson,

Your kind
favor is at hand. I think
your note on *Protobalvinia*
covers all that can be
said of them at present.
In the specimens I exam-
ined, I could find no
trace of the sporangium
proper, the only tissue
recognisable being that of
the sporocarp itself.
I find my father much
weaker than when I
was here before, and

feel that a change
may occur any day.
Mrs. Peabottom joins
in kindest remembrances
to yourself Lady and Miss
Danson.

Yours truly
D. A. Peabottom

Reynolds
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